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# Council

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin, on Wednesday 21 June 2017 at 4.00 pm.

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### PRESENT

<b>Mayor</b>	Mr M Feyen
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	Mr W E R Bishop
<b>Councillors</b>	Mr R J Brannigan
	Mr R H Campbell
	Mr N G Gimblett
	Mr B F Judd
	Mrs V M Kaye-Simmons
	Mrs J F G Mason
	Mrs C B Mitchell
	Ms P Tukapua
	Mr B P Wanden

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D M Clapperton	(Chief Executive)
Mr D Law	(Chief Financial Officer)
Mr G Saily	(Group Manager – Infrastructure Services)
Mr D McCorkindale	(Senior Manager – Strategic Planning)
Mr M Lester	(Project Coordination Manager)
Mr S Grainger	(Economic Development Manager)
Mrs N Brady	(Senior Manager – Business Services)
Mrs D Kidd	(Community Services Manager)
Ms T Williams	(Strategic Planner)
Mr S Wood	(Legal Counsel)
Ms L Wilson	(Communications Lead)
Mrs K J Corkill	(Meeting Secretary)
Ms S Bowling	(Meeting Secretary)

### MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE

Mr P Mitchell	(“Manawatu Standard”)
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### PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were eight members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

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## 1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

## 2 Public Speaking Rights

None requested.

## 3 Late Items

There were no late items.

## 4 Declaration of Interest

Cr Brannigan declared an interest in relation to the Emergency Management component of the Annual Plan. He would remove from the table if there was any discussion on Emergency Management.

## 5 Announcements

It was with great sadness Mayor Feyen announced the passing of Kaumātua Ngarongo Iwikatea Nicholson (or 'Iwi' as he was commonly known). Mr Nicholson was of Ngāti Raukawa Ki te Tonga and Ngāti Toa Rangatira descent and was well known within Maoridom. In 2010 he had received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the national Māori Awards for academic excellence. He was a highly respected kaumātua for Te Wānanga o Raukawa and a long-time teacher of Mātauranga Māori and a key member of the Ngāti Toa Rangatira negotiating team for Treaty settlements. Condolences were extended to his whanau, hapu and iwi.

Mayor Feyen also noted, for those who may have been wondering why some Council staff were wearing shorts, this not only marked the shortest day but was also a fund-raising initiative for the Arohanui Hospice. Well done to staff who had participated.

In acknowledging the Building Team for a job well done, Mr Clapperton announced that Council had received confirmation from IANZ that it had received, with no corrective actions required, reaccreditation as a Building Consent Authority, with this being the fifth time this had occurred.

## 6 Executive

### 9.1 Adoption of Annual Plan 2017/2018

#### Purpose

This report seeks Council's adoption of the 2017-2018 Annual Plan.

MOVED by Cr Judd, seconded Cr Wanden:

*THAT Report 17/262 Adoption of 2017-2018 Annual Plan be received.*

*THAT this decision is recognised as significant in terms of Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

**CARRIED**

Council's Senior Manager – Strategic Planning, Mr McCorkindale, joined the table to speak to this report and to respond to any questions. He outlined the process that had been undertaken to bring the Annual Plan to the table for adoption. He also advised an additional note to be included on page 62 of the table headed 'Library Activity'

being:

*“Note: As part of the next review of the Revenue and Financing Policy, the Policy will need to be amended to acknowledge that the income from Te Horowhenua Trust is now recognised as Council income. The Revenue and Financing Policy will next be reviewed as part of preparing the Long Term Plan 2018.”*

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bishop, seconded Cr Mitchell:

*THAT the Horowhenua District Council, having taken into account the submissions received during the formal public consultation process, adopts the attached 2017-2018 Annual Plan including the policies and statements contained therein, in accordance with Section 95 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

*THAT the Council delegates to the Chief Executive the authority to make editorial changes that arise as part of the publication process for the 2017-2018 Annual Plan.*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Feyen commented on a successful Annual Plan round and how it paved the way for next year's Long Term Plan process. He said he was pleased at the number of submissions received and how these had been addressed. Whilst he did not like rates going up, the rates rise of 5.64% was below the 7.72% increased projected for 2017/18. He thanked everyone for their input.

Mayor Feyen said the future looked exciting and he looked forward to having the Strategy Committee and Community Forums getting involved to assist with progressing the region.

## **9.2 Adoption of Rates Resolution for year ending 30 June 2018**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for the Horowhenua District Council (Council) to formally adopt the Rates Resolution for the year ending 30 June 2018.

Having adopted the Annual Plan 2017/2018 containing the Funding Impact Statement, Council is now required to formally adopt the Rates Resolution.

MOVED by Cr Campbell, seconded Cr Kaye-Simmons:

*THAT this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.*

**CARRIED**

MOVED by Cr Kaye-Simmons, seconded Cr Wanden:

That the Horowhenua District Council sets the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the district for the financial year commencing 1 July 2017 and ending on 30 June 2018.

### **(a) General Rates**

A general rate set under section 13 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 made on every rating unit, set on a differential basis as described below:

- A rate of \$0.00091604 (GST inclusive) of land value on every rating unit in the "urban" category
- A rate of \$0.0002839 (GST inclusive) of land value on every rating unit in the "township" category
- A rate of \$0.00018623 (GST inclusive) of land value on every rating unit in the "rural residential" category

- A rate of \$0.00155555(GST inclusive) of land value on every rating unit in the "rural " category
- A rate of \$0.00466221 (GST inclusive) of land value on every rating unit in the "District wide" category.

**(b) Rooding Rate**

A targeted Rooding rate set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 made on every rating unit, set on a differential basis as described below:

- A rate of \$0.00067203 (GST inclusive) of capital value on every rating unit in the " business" category
- A rate of \$0.00077629 (GST inclusive) of capital value on every rating unit in the "District wide other" category.

**(c) Stormwater Rate**

A targeted Stormwater rate of \$0.00041991 (GST Inclusive) of capital value set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on all "Urban" rating units.

**(d) Community Centre/Library Rate**

A targeted rate set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$238.20 (GST Inclusive) on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the district to fund the provision of Community Centres and library services.

**(e) Representation and Community Leadership**

A targeted rate set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 of \$232.60 (GST Inclusive) on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the district to fund the Representation and Community Leadership costs.

**(f) Solid Waste Disposal Rates**

A targeted rate for solid waste disposal set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, to fund the Solid Waste activity costs set on a differential basis as described below:

- A rate of \$22.90 (GST Inclusive) on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the "urban and township" category,
- A rate of \$16.50 (GST Inclusive) on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the "rural" category.

**(g) Swimming Pool Rate**

*A targeted rate for the provision of swimming pools set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of \$147.50 (GST Inclusive) on every separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit in the district.*

**(h) Sewage (Waste Water) Disposal Rates**

*A targeted rate for sewage disposal set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to fund the Waste water activity costs set on a differential basis as described below:*

- *A rate of \$589.00 (GST Inclusive) for each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit that is connected to a sewer network;*
- *A rate of \$294.50 (GST Inclusive) for each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit that is available to be connected to a sewer network.*

(i) **Water Supply Rates**

A targeted rate for water supply, set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to fund the Water Supply activity costs set on a differential basis as described below:

- A rate of \$401.10 (GST Inclusive) for each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit, or for each connection to each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit, whichever is the greater, that is connected to a water supply network (except for Foxton Beach which has a lower fixed rate to recognise the fact that it has universal water metering. This exception does not apply to the district wide availability differential).
- A rate of \$200.55 (GST inclusive) for each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit that is available to be connected to a water supply network.

For the Foxton Beach water supply network:

- A rate of \$307.40 (GST Inclusive) for each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit, or for each connection to each separately used or inhabited part of any rating unit, whichever is the greater, that is connected to the Foxton Beach water supply network where a water meter is connected.

Targeted rates for water supply set under section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 where a meter is used to measure consumption on the network during the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 of:

- \$1.70 (GST Inclusive) per m<sup>3</sup> of water consumed in excess of 91m<sup>3</sup> per every quarter invoicing period on any rating unit connected to any water supply, except Foxton Beach.
- \$0.85 (GST Inclusive) per m<sup>3</sup> of water consumed in excess of 91m<sup>3</sup> per every quarter invoicing period on any rating unit connected to the Shannon untreated bore water supply.
- For Foxton Beach Water Supply:
  1. **Step 1** - \$0.72 (GST Inclusive) per m<sup>3</sup> for the first 50 m<sup>3</sup> of water consumed per quarter on any rating unit or separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit connected to the Foxton Beach water supply network during the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.
  2. **Step 2** - \$1.44 (GST Inclusive) per m<sup>3</sup> for the second 50 m<sup>3</sup> of water consumed per quarter in excess of 50 m<sup>3</sup> on any rating unit or separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit connected to the Foxton Beach water supply network during the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.
  3. **Step 3** - \$2.16 (GST Inclusive) per m<sup>3</sup> for the balance of water consumed per quarter in excess of 100 m<sup>3</sup> on any rating unit or separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit connected to the Foxton Beach water supply network during the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

**DIFFERENTIAL CATEGORIES**

That the Horowhenua District Council adopts the following definitions for its differential categories for the 2017/18 financial year.

### **General Rate**

- (j) **Urban** - all rating units in Levin, Shannon and Foxton urban areas, as shown on the maps available defining those areas for rating purposes held at the Council office in Levin. This category has a differential factor of 6.42%.
- (k) **Townships** - all rating units in Waikawa Beach, Manakau, Ohau, Hokio Beach, Waitarere Beach, Foxton Beach and Tokomaru urban areas, as shown on the maps available defining those areas for rating purposes held at the Council office in Levin. This category has a differential factor of 0.97%.
- (l) **Rural Residential** - all rating units classified as Lifestyle and Residential (other than those rating units identified as "vacant" or "bare"). These properties will be identified in the DVR using the "Property Category" codes from Appendix F of the Valuation Rules 2008; Promulgated by the Valuer General This category has a differential factor of 0.73%.
- (m) **Rural** - all rating units that are located in areas outside the urban and township category boundaries but not those rating units classified as Rural Residential. This category has a differential factor of 25%.
- (n) **District Wide** - all rating units other than those in the rural category. This category has a differential factor of 66.88%.

### **Roading Targeted Rate**

- (o) **Business** - all rating units identified as Arable, Commercial (including all Rest Homes/Retirement villages other than those that have separate title for the individual units or houses), Dairy, Forestry (except protected forestry), Horticultural, Industrial, Mining, Pastoral, Specialist livestock, and Utilities using the "Property Category" codes from Appendix F of the Valuation Rules 2008, promulgated by the Valuer General. This category has a differential factor of 35%.
- (p) **District Wide Other** - all rating units identified as Lifestyle, Residential (excluding all Rest Homes/Retirement villages but including those that have separate title for the individual units or houses) and Other using the "Property Category" codes from Appendix F of the Valuation Rules 2008, promulgated by the Valuer General. This category has a differential factor of 65%.

### **Solid Waste Disposal Rate**

- (a) **Urban** - all rating units within the towns of Levin, Foxton, Shannon, Tokomaru, Foxton Beach, Waitarere Beach, Hokio Beach, Ohau, Waikawa Beach and Manakau as shown on the maps available defining those areas for rating purposes held at the Levin Office. This category has a differential factor of 80%.
- (b) **Rural** - all rating units within the district that are outside the defined "urban" differential described above. This category has a differential factor of 20%.

### Wastewater Rate

- (a) **Connected** - on all rating units across the District for which connection to a reticulated wastewater disposal system is available. A reticulated wastewater disposal system is available to a rating unit if a lateral or laterals exist for the purposes of accepting wastewater from the rating unit to the wastewater trunk main, where there is a connection from the land within the rating unit to that lateral/s or trunk main.
- (b) **Available** - on any rating unit that is not connected to a reticulated wastewater disposal system, but is within 30m of a trunk main that is available to take waste from the rating unit. A reticulated wastewater disposal system is available to a rating unit if a lateral or laterals exist for the purpose of accepting wastewater from the rating unit to the wastewater trunk main or, if no lateral exists, if Council will allow the rating unit to be connected. This rate is set at 50% of the fixed charge for a connected rating unit.

### Water Supply Rate

- (a) **Connected** - a reticulated potable water supply is available to a rating unit if a lateral or laterals exist for the purpose of delivering water from the trunk main to the rating unit, and there is a connection from the land within the rating unit to that lateral/s or trunk main.
- (b) **Available** - any rating unit not connected to, but within 100 metres of a trunk main for a reticulated potable water supply that is available to the rating unit. A reticulated potable water supply is available to a rating unit if a lateral or laterals exist for the purpose of delivering water from the trunk main to the rating unit or, if no lateral exists, if Council will allow the rating unit to be connected. This rate is set at 50% of the fixed charge for a district wide connected rating unit.

### DUE DATES FOR PAYMENT OF RATES

That all rates (except water-by-meter rates) will be payable in four equal instalments due on:

15<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
15<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
15<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

<b>WATER-by-METER RATES DUE DATES 2017-2018</b>		
<b>AREA</b>	<b>WATER METERS READ DURING</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>
Foxton Beach 6-10, Shannon, Tokomaru	Jul-17	25-Aug-17
	Oct-17	25-Nov-17
	Jan-18	25-Feb-18
	Apr-18	25-May-18

Foxton Beach 1-5, Whirokino	Aug-17	25-Sep-17
	Nov-17	25-Dec-17
	Feb-18	25-Mar-18
	May-18	25-Jun-18
Levin, Ohau, Foxton	Sep-17	25-Oct-17
	Dec-17	25-Jan-18
	Mar-18	25-Apr-18
	Jun-18	25-Jul-18

## **PENALTIES**

- (a) That the Council authorises the following penalties to be added to rates (except water-by-meter rates) that are not paid by the due date:
- (i) a charge of 10 percent on so much of each instalment that has been assessed after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 and which is unpaid after the due date of each instalment, to be added to the amount of the unpaid rates on:
    - 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017
    - 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017
    - 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018
    - 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018.
  - (ii) a charge of 10 percent on so much of any rates levied before the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 which remain unpaid on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017.
  - (iii) a further charge of 10 percent on any rates to which a penalty has been added under (ii) above if the rates remain unpaid on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018.
  - (iv) a charge of 10 percent on so much of the amount of each instalment of a water supply rate where a meter is used to measure consumption that remains unpaid on the due date for each payment.
- (b) That the authority to apply the Council's policy on penalty rates be delegated to the Finance Manager.

## **PAYMENT OF RATES**

That rates shall be payable at any of the following places:

Levin	Public Office, 126 Oxford Street,	Mon, to Fri	8.00 am to 5.00 pm
Foxton	Library/Service Centre Clyde Street	Mon to Fri	9.00 am to 5.00 pm
Shanno n	Library/Service Centre Plimmer Terrace	Mon to Fri	10.00 am to 12 noon 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm
		Sat	10.00 am to 12 noon
Tokom aru	Tokomaru Store Tokomaru Road	During store opening hours	



*Where a payment made by a ratepayer is less than the amount now payable, the Council will apply the payment firstly to any arrears from previous years and then proportionately across all current year rates due.*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

4.22 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....